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RELATING TO PHOTONIC )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 6 as follows:

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6. (Amended) A photonic crystal fibre as claimed in claim 1, in which the core includes a hole.